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- Abstract of the Disclosure 9. L Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 3 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement 10. Power of (when there is an assignee) Attorney [Total Sheets 3 5. Oath or Declaration 11. English Translation Document (if applicable) a. Newly executed (original or copy) Copies of IDS 12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) 13. **Preliminary Amendment** (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) 14. (Should be specifically itemized) DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) 15. 🔲 Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). 16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent. 6. 🔲 Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 Other: ..... 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: ..... Prior application information: Examiner Art Unit: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Art Unit: \_\_\_\_\_\_ For CONTINUATION OF DIVISIONAL APPS only; The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box To considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation <u>can only</u> be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS Correspondence address below Customer Number: Name Sean A. Kaufhold P.O. Box 131447 Address City State CA Zip Code 92013 Carlsbad Telephone Country **USA** 760-470-3368 731-1557 Name (Print/Type) Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) Sean A. Kaufhold

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Serial No.:  Filed:  For: SPARE TIRE MOUNTING APPARATUS  Examiner:  Group Art Unit:  Attorney: Sean Kaufhold  )					
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REQUEST FOR NONPUBLICATION OF APPLICATION (37 CFR § 1.213)					
Applicant(s) hereby requests that the application for the above-titled invention not be published under 35 USC § 122(b).					
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Applicant(s) reserves the right to rescind the above request for nonpublication according to the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.213(b).					
NAME OF INVENTOR: Stephen J. Seely					
Inventor's Signature  Date: 10-10-03					
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